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Reply to the Attention Of: SR-6J

October 17, 2011

Via E-mail and Certified Mail

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Re: Allied Paper Landfill, Kalamazoo River Superfund Site Operable Unit 01,
Kalamazoo, Michigan

Dear Mr. Bucholtz:

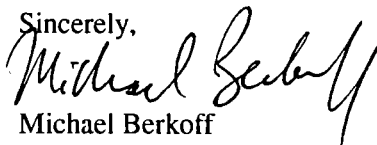
I write to follow up on our telephone conversation of October 13, 2011. As we discussed, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is in the process of finalizing the Feasibility Study (FS) report for Operable Unit 1 of the Allied Paper Inc./Portage Creek/ Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (OU1). Pursuant to EPA regulations at 40 C.F.R. §§ 300.400(g), 300.430, and 300.515, EPA requests that Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) identify Michigan's applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) to be included in the final FS report.

As we discussed, in 1987 the Michigan Attorney General on behalf of the people of the State of Michigan and its governmental agencies filed a Complaint in United States District Court against Allied Paper, Inc. and others alleging, among other things, that Allied Paper, Inc. stored and disposed of waste in OU1 that was regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 6901 to 6992k. Please provide in writing MDEQ's position as to whether any of the disposal areas within OU1 are or were a storage or disposal facilities regulated under Michigan's RCRA program. EPA also requests that MDEQ include in writing whether PCB material at the concentration present in OU1 is hazardous waste subject to Michigan's hazardous waste regulations.

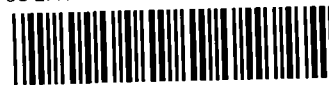
Please provide EPA with the above requested information by November 1, 2011. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me at (312) 353-8983.

Sincerely,


Michael Berkoff
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